#### SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF NEW YORK

Teresa McCoy,

Plaintiff,

- against -

The TJX Companies, Inc.,

Defendants.

Index No.:

**SUMMONS** 

Plaintiff designates New York County as the place of trial, based upon plaintiff's residence: 74 West 92nd St.. NY, NY

To the above named Defendant:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the verified complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your verified answer on the plaintiff's Attorney within twenty (20) days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the date of service, or within thirty (30) days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York; and in case you fail to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated: New York, New York April 12, 2021

MICHAEL G. O'NEILL

Attorney for Plaintiff 30 Vesey Street, Third Floor New York, New York 10007

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Plaintiff,

- against -

Complaint

The TJX Companies, Inc.,

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Plaintiff, by her attorney, Michael G. O'Neill, complains against defendant as follows:

- 1. Plaintiff is a natural person and resides in the City, County and State of New York.
- 2. Defendant is, according to New York Secretary of State records, a Delaware Corporation with its executive offices in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
- 3. Defendant owns and operates a chain of retail stores trading under the name Home Goods.
- 4. Defendant owns and operates a Home Goods stores (the "Store") at 795 Columbus Avenue in the City, County and State of New York.
- 5. On about July 28, 2019, plaintiff was lawfully on the Store premises when she was caused to fall due to a display of furniture that had been negligently arranged and thereby constituted a dangerous and hazardous condition.
- 6. Indeed, after plaintiff fell, the manager of the store told her "you did nothing wrong, this [referring to the furniture] should not have been displayed like this."
  - 7. Plaintiff's fall was caused solely by the negligent and reckless arrangement of

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defendant's furniture display.

8. As a direct and proximate result of the fall, plaintiff has suffered severe, permanent and painful injuries.

- 9. At all times, defendant had a duty to the general public, including plaintiff, to maintain its store in a reasonably safe condition free of unreasonably dangerous hazards.
- 10. Defendant breached its said duty by arranging its furniture display in a negligent and dangerous manner and by failing to warn of said danger.
- 11. As a result of defendant's breach of its duty of care owed to plaintiff, plaintiff has suffered damages, for which defendant is liable.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff demands judgment for all relief permitted by law, including but not limited to awarding plaintiff a money judgment for her damages in excess of \$75,000, awarding pre-verdict, post-verdict and prejudgment interest and costs and granting such further and additional relief as the Court deems just and appropriate under the circumstances.

Dated: New York, New York April 12, 2021 MICHAEL G. O'NEILL

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Plaintiff demands trial by jury on all issues.

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#### MICHAEL G. O'NEILL

ATTORNEY AT LAW

Via First Class Mail

March 5, 2021

The TJX Companies, Inc. 770 Cochituate Road Framingham, MA 01701

Re: McCoy v. The TJX Companies, Inc.

Dear Sir or Madam:

I represent the plaintiff in the above action. A lawsuit has been filed against the person or entity to whom this letter is addressed. Pursuant to §312-a of the Civil Practice Law and Rules, we are requesting defendant execute an acknowledgement of service of process. Please read this letter and the enclosures carefully.

We are enclosing a copy of the complaint and two copies of the acknowledgement form, which an authorized agent should sign. We are also enclosing a self addressed, stamped envelope a signed acknowledgement to be returned to our office.

The enclosed notice provides additional information concerning the duty to waive service of the summons and the consequences of not waiving service.

Very truly yours,

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Statement of Service by Mail and Acknowledgement of Receipt by Mail of Summons and Complaint

## STATEMENT OF SERVICE BY MAIL

To: TJX Cos.

770 Cochituate Road Framingham, MA 01701

Re: McCoy v. TJX Companies

The enclosed summons and complaint is served pursuant to §312-a of the Civil Practice Law and Rules.

To avoid being charged with the expense of service upon you, you must sign, date and complete the acknowledgement part of this form and mail or deliver one copy of the completed form to the sender within thirty (30) days from the date you receive it. You should keep a copy for your records or your attorney. If you wish to consult with and attorney, you should do so as soon as possible before the thirty (30) days expire.

If you do not complete and return the form to the sender within thirty (30) days, you (or the party on whose behalf you are being served) will be required to pay expenses incurred in serving the summons and complaint in any other manner permitted by law, and the cost of such service as permitted by law will be entered as a judgment against you.

If you have received a complaint with this statement, the return of this statement and acknowledgement does not relieve you of the necessity to answer the complaint. The time to answer expires twenty (20) days after the day you mail or deliver this form to the sender. If you wish to consult with an attorney, you should do so as soon as possible before the twenty (20) days expire.

If you are served on behalf of a corporation, unincorporated association, partnership or other entity, you must indicate under your signature your relationship to the entity. If you are served on behalf of another person and you are authorized to receive process, you must indicate under your signature your authority.

It is a crime to forge a signature or to make a false entry on this statement or on the acknowledgement.

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# ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT

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